

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended): A fuel injection valve, comprising:
a casing;
a valve element axially slidably arranged through the casing;
a valve seat on which the valve element is seated; and
a cover arranged on an outer periphery of the casing and forming an outer layer, the cover being molded out of a soft resin containing a rubber,

wherein the casing is made of a metal, the outer periphery of the casing being molded out of a hard resin and forming an inner layer.

2. (cancelled).

3. (original): The fuel injection valve as claimed in claim 1, further comprising:
an actuator which drives the valve element, the actuator comprising a coil and a connector; and
an envelope which conceals an outer periphery of the coil and a portion extending to the connector, the envelope being molded out of a hard resin, wherein the envelope is concealed with the cover.

4. (original): The fuel injection valve as claimed in claim 1, wherein the soft resin is constructed such that a ratio between the rubber and the soft resin is 50:50.

5. (original): The fuel injection valve as claimed in claim 1, wherein the soft resin is constructed such that a ratio between the rubber and the soft resin is 20:80 to 80:20.

6. (original): A fuel injection valve, comprising:
a casing;
a valve element axially slidably arranged through the casing;

a valve seat on which the valve element is seated;

a cover arranged on an outer periphery of the casing, the cover being molded out of a soft resin containing a rubber;

an actuator which drives the valve element, the actuator comprising a coil and a connector; and

an envelope which conceals an outer periphery of the coil and a portion extending to the connector, the envelope being molded out of a hard resin, wherein the envelope is concealed with the cover.

7. (previously presented): A method of manufacturing a fuel injection valve, the fuel injection valve comprising a casing, a valve element axially slidably arranged through the casing, and a valve seat on which the valve element is seated, the method comprising:

molding a cover out of a soft resin containing a rubber, the cover being arranged on an outer periphery of the casing, and

molding the outer periphery of the casing out of a hard resin, wherein the casing is made of a metal.

8. (cancelled).

9. (original): The method as claimed in claim 7, wherein the fuel injection valve further comprises an actuator for driving the valve element, the actuator comprising a coil and a connector, the method further comprising:

molding an envelope out of a hard resin, the envelope concealing an outer periphery of the coil and a portion extending to the connector, wherein the envelope is concealed with the cover.

10. (original): The method as claimed in claim 7, wherein the soft resin is constructed such that a ratio between the rubber and the soft resin is 50:50.

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11. (original): The method as claimed in claim 7, wherein the soft resin is constructed such that a ratio between the rubber and the soft resin is 20:80 to 80:20.